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SUBJECT: UN ENTRY OF TWO GERMAN STATES: CONSULTATIONS
WITH SOVIETS

SUMMARY: DUE TO BAVARIAN DECISION TO CONTEST BASIC
TREATY IN FRG CONSTITUTIONAL COURT, BONN GROUP WAS
UNABLE TO DISCUSS TIMING OF CONSULTATIONS WITH SOVIETS
OR SUBMISSION OF FRG AND GDR APPLICATIONS AT ITS MEET-
ING ON MAY 22. ALLIED AND FRG REPS DID, HOWEVER,
GIVE PRELIMINARY VIEWS ON METHOD IN WHICH CONSULTATIONS
SHOULD BE CONDUCTED. END SUMMARY.

1. THE US REP OPENED THE DISCUSSION BY SUGGESTING THAT
THE WORK OF THE BONN GROUP ON THE UN ENTRY COMPLEX WAS
PROBABLY NEARING ITS END. HE SAID THAT ONCE A FINAL LIST
OF TOPICS AND THE TEXTS OF THE RESOLUTIONS AND THE SECUR-
ITY COUNCIL STATEMENTS HAD BEEN AGREED, HE THOUGHT DAY-
TO- DAY DECISIONS ON TACTICS SHOULD PROBABLY BE MADE IN
NEW YORK. HE ADDED THAT HE THOUGHT THE STATE DEPARTMENT
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WOULD PROBABLY SEND AN EXPERT IN GERMAN AFFAIRS TO NEW YORK AND THAT OTHER BONN GROUP MEMBERS MIGHT WISH TO DO THE SAME. THUS, THE POLITICAL AS WELL AS PROCEDURAL SIDE WOULD BE COVERED AND IT WOULD BE MUCH EASIER TO COORDINATE IN NEW YORK THAN IN BONN. THE US REP THOUGHT IT WOULD ALSO BE OF LITTLE VALUE FOR THE BONN GROUP TO ATTEMPT TO FORMULATE DETAILED TALKING POINTS FOR THE NEW YORK DELIBERATIONS.

2. THE UK REP (CROMARTIE) SAID HE AGREED IN GENERAL WITH THIS POINT OF VIEW, ALTHOUGH HE THOUGHT PREPARATIONS SHOULD BE CARRIED A BIT FURTHER THAN PROPOSED BY THE US REP. CROMARTIE BELIEVED THAT, IN ADDITION TO PREPARING THE VARIOUS TEXTS, THE BONN GROUP SHOULD ALSO REACH AGREEMENT ON A GENERAL OUTLINE OF THE SUBSTANCE OF POINTS TO BE RAISED WITH THE SOVIETS. CROMARTIE SAID HE WAS NOT THINKING OF DETAILED TALKING POINTS, BUT RATHER OF A FLESHING OUT OF THE LIST OF TOPICS TO BE RAISED WITH THE SOVIETS (PARA 4, BONN 6980) WHICH HAD ALREADY BEEN MORE OR LESS AGREED. THE FRENCH REP (LUSTIG) SAID HE AGREED WITH THIS APPROACH.

3. THE FONOFF REP (BLECH) SAID HE TOO WOULD PROBABLY WISH TO SEE A BIT MORE CONSULTATION TAKE PLACE IN BONN, BUT HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO REACH AN UNDERSTANDING ON HOW MATTERS WOULD PROCEED IN NEW YORK. THE FRG HOPED THAT ALLIED AND FRG CONSULTATIONS WOULD CONTINUE UNDER " BONN GROUP CONDITIONS" JUST AS IN BONN. THIS MEANT THE FRG HOPED THAT CONSULTATIVE SESSIONS WITH THE SOVIETS WOULD BE PREPARED IN QUADRIPARTITE MEETINGS AT WHICH AN FRG REP WOULD ALSO BE PRESENT. BLECH SAID THAT TO ENSURE THAT THE BERLIN AND GERMAN POINTS WOULD BE SUFFICIENTLY COVERED BY THE FRG SIDE IN NEW YORK, A MEMBER OF THE GERMAN BONN GROUP DELEGATION, PERHAPS BLECH HIMSELF, WOULD GO TO THE US FOR THE DISCUSSIONS.

4. EMBASSY COMMENT: AS NOTED IN SEPTTEL, THERE IS A GOOD POSSIBILITY THAT THE UN MEMBERSHIP PROCESS WILL SOON SHIFT INTO HIGH GEAR. OUR VIEW IS THAT ALLIED AND FRG PREPARATIONS COULD SOON BE LOGICALLY MOVED TO NEW YORK, ALTHOUGH WE AGREE THAT FURTHER PREPARATION

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IN BONN WOULD ALSO BE ACCEPTABLE. HOWEVER, WHATEVER THE VENUE, WE AGREE THAT PREPARATIONS SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE CONDUCTED IN THE BONN GROUP FORMAT, WITH A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REMAINING A FULL PARTICIPANT.

5. DEPARTMENT' S VIEWS REQUESTED.

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